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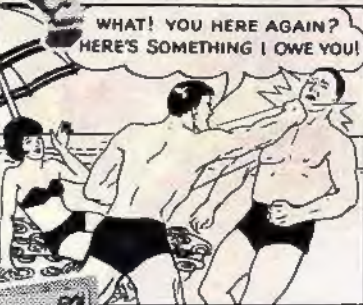
NOW STRIKES THE  
**SUB-HUMAN!**



WITH EVERY  
BLAST--EVERY  
BLOW-- HE  
JUST GROWS  
STRONGER--  
STRONGER!



# THE INSULT THAT MADE A MAN OUT OF "MAC"



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# "NOW STRIKES...THE SUB-HUMAN!"

**MIDNIGHT!**  
...AND A ROLLING,  
RUMBLING *SUBWAY*  
TRAIN SPEEDS THRU  
THE LABYRINTHINE  
TUNNELS THAT WIND  
BENEATH THE STREETS  
OF THE SPRAWLING  
CITY, WHEN  
SUDDENLY...

WHAT IN...?  
DIRECTLY  
AHEAD OF  
US...!!

SOME WEIRD,  
TOWERING  
FIGURE APPEARED  
OUT OF NOWHERE...  
RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE  
OF THE TRACKS!

## FACE FRONT!

... CAUSE **STAN LEE'S**  
CREATIVE COMBO OF  
**ROY THOMAS** AND  
**DON HECK** HAS  
DONE IT AGAIN!!

DONE WHAT? DON'T BOTHER  
ASKING **GEORGE TUSKA**,  
INKER, OR **SAM ROSEN**,  
LETTERER... CAUSE THEY'LL  
NEVER TELL!

AND, WITH THAT  
STARTLED OUT-  
BURST FROM AN  
AMAZED **TRAINMAN**,  
OUR PULSE-POUND-  
ING EPIC BEGINS...

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I'VE THROWN ON  
THE BRAKES...  
HARD!

BUT, WE'LL  
NEVER STOP...  
IN TIME!



THEN, IN THE LAST SICKENING SECOND  
BEFORE IMPACT...!

STILL MOVING... AND THE  
TRAIN'S ALMOST ON TOP  
OF HIM! I ...

THAT  
FACE!!

IT'S NOT...  
HUMAN!



THE NEXT MOMENT,  
EVEN MORE  
ASTONISHINGLY...

IT...IT'S IMPOSSIBLE!  
THAT THING BRACED  
ITSELF... AND STOPPED  
THE TRAIN!

WE'RE BEING  
THROWN OFF  
THE TRACKS!

MONSTER ATTACKS  
ME! BUT... I WILL  
SMASH IT!



AND NOW, IF YOU'VE ALREADY GUESSED  
WHO'S RIDING THE BESIEGED TRAIN...  
GIVE YOURSELF ONE NO-PRIZE, AND  
HANG ON...!

WHAT'S HAPPENING  
UP AHEAD? WE STOPPED  
SO SUDDENLY...!

I WISH I KNEW,  
ZELDA!

YOU AND ME  
BOTH, MR.  
MCCOY!

--WHICH MEANS THAT  
I'M AS EAGER TO  
TAKE A LOOK... AS  
OL' HANK IS!

BUT, HOW CAN WE GET  
AWAY WITH THE GIRLS  
HERE, UNLESS...?



THEN, ALMOST  
INSTANTANEOUSLY...

THE LIGHTS...  
THEY'RE GONE!

THAT'S OUR GOLDEN  
OPPORTUNITY,  
LAD!

I'LL  
RACE YOU  
TO THE  
DOOR,  
OL'  
BUDDY!



I DON'T LIKE LEAVING THE GALS  
ALONE LIKE THAT... BUT THAT'S  
SHOW BIZ!

IT'S LUCKY THAT THE PROF  
TAUGHT US HOW TO GET AROUND  
IN THE DARK!

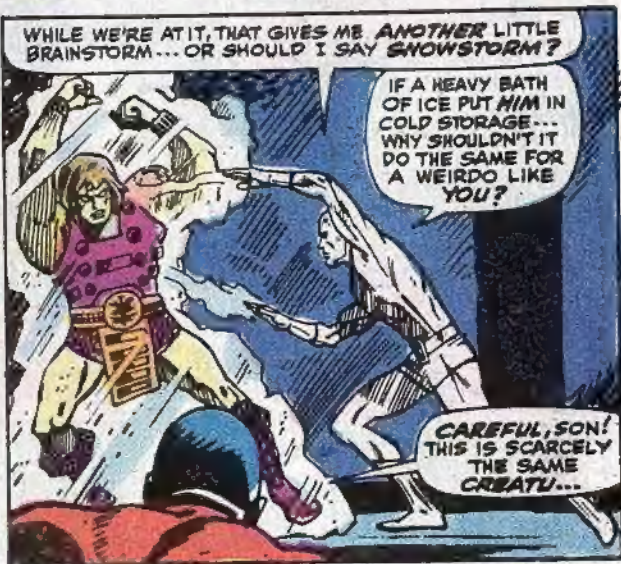
A SIMPLE  
MATTER OF USEFULLY  
EMPLOYING YOUR  
EARS, BOBBY!

BUT NOW, INTO  
YOUR COSTUME...  
POST HASTE!

SOMEHOW,  
I'VE A  
PREMONITION  
THAT THIS IS A  
TASK FOR...  
THE X-MEN!

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## YOU CALL THE SHOTS

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BUT THEN, EVEN BEFORE THE LOQUACIOUS BEAST CAN FINISH...

SCATTER! FALL BEFORE THE SHATTERING POWER OF HIM THAT YOU HAVE CALLED... **GROTESK!!**

JUMP FOR IT! HE'S BUSTIN' LOOSE... WITH A VENGEANCE!

HE'S FLINGIN' THOSE HUNKS OF ICE LIKE THEY WERE PING-PONG BALLS!

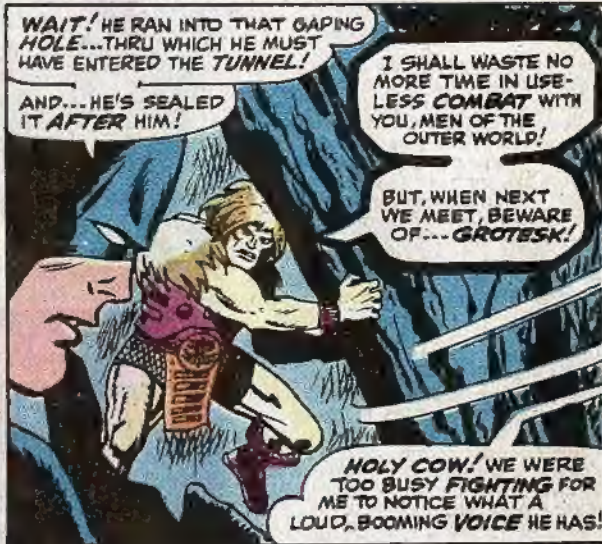


WAIT! HE SEEMS TO HAVE LOST HIS TASTE FOR FIGHTING! HE'S TURNING TAIL!

THANK HEAVEN FOR SMALL FAVORS, MY REFRIGERATED FRIEND!

MAYBE I CAN STILL... NUTS! NOT ENOUGH ICE POWER LEFT TO FREEZE HIM!

FOR, EVEN IF WE CAUGHT HIM... WHAT WOULD WE DO WITH HIM?



WAIT! HE RAN INTO THAT GAPING HOLE...THRU WHICH HE MUST HAVE ENTERED THE TUNNEL!

AND...HE'S SEALED IT AFTER HIM!

I SHALL WASTE NO MORE TIME IN USELESS COMBAT WITH YOU, MEN OF THE OUTER WORLD!

BUT, WHEN NEXT WE MEET, BEWARE OF... **GROTESK!**

HOLY COW! WE WERE TOO BUSY FIGHTING FOR ME TO NOTICE WHAT A LOUD, BOOMING VOICE HE HAS!



THE BETTER TO TERRIFY YOU WITH, MY DEAR ICEMAN!

WE'D BETTER WORRY ABOUT THAT LATER, PAL! I SEE LIGHTS COMING FROM THAT STATION UP AHEAD!

UHH! WHEN THAT CHARACTER SEALS A PASSAGEWAY...IT STAYS SEALED!

IT MUST BE SOME SUBWAY POLICE...THAT HEARD THE SOUNDS OF THE FIGHT!



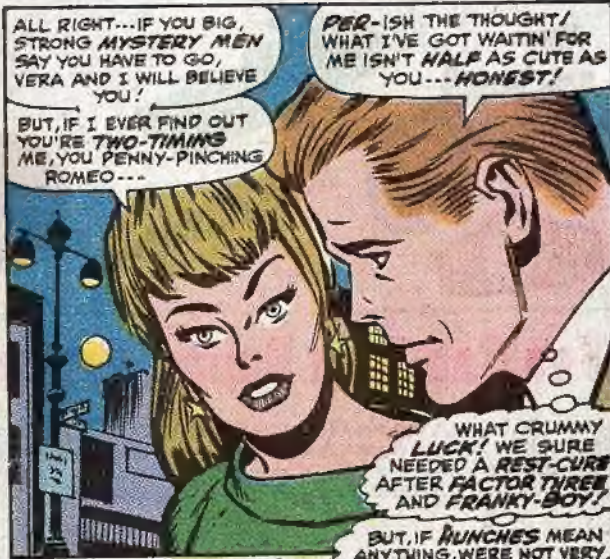
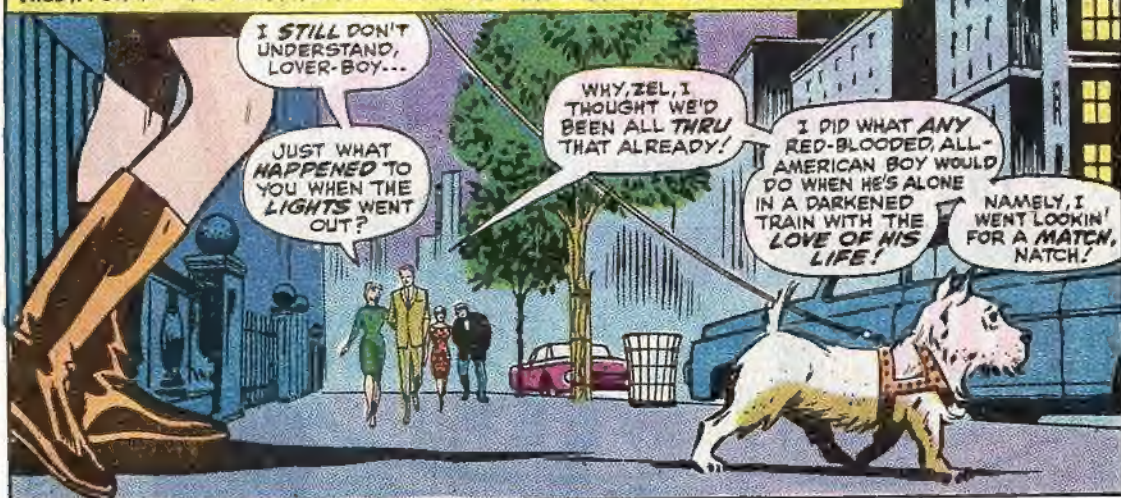
YOUR NIMBLE MIND DOES YOU CREDIT, MR. DRAKE! IT WOULD BE UNSEEMLY FOR THE EXEMPLARY X-MEN TO BE SEEN JUST NOW!

YEAH... ESPECIALLY IF OUR GIRLS HAPPEN TO HAVE NOTICED WE'VE CUT OUT ON 'EM!

THEN LET'S CUT BACK IN...WITH ALL DELIBERATE SPEED!



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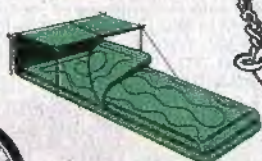
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"YES... NOW IT BEGINS TO COME BACK TO ME! THE CIVILIZATION WE ONCE KNEW. THE GREAT THRIVING METROPOLIS WHICH SPREAD THROUGHT THE ENDLESS CAVERNS BELOW THE SURFACE."

"THOUGH NONE FROM ABOVE COULD HAVE KNOWN IT WE HAD EXISTED THERE SINCE TIME OUT OF MIND..."

"...FIGHTING OUR UNENDING, NUMERABLE WARS..."

"...SMASHING ALL OTHER RACES WHICH OPPOSED US..."

"...YET ALWAYS IN TOTAL IGNORANCE OF AN EVEN LARGER WORLD OVER OUR VERY HEADS!"

AND THOSE WHO ARE CALLED HUMANS KNEW NO MORE OF US... EXCEPT WHEN OUR CEASELESS WARFARE BURST THE VERY MOUNTAINS ASUNDER..."

"THUS WERE BORN WHAT MEN HAVE NAMED VOLCANOES!"

"THEN ONE DAY YEARS AGO IN THE TEEMING AREA WHICH FORMED THE EXACT CENTER OF OUR MIGHTY SUBTERRANEAN EMPIRE..."

THE TIME HAS COME... TO ASCEND THE MYSTERIOUS SHAFTS WHICH LEAD TO THE OUTER WORLD!

WE MUST LEARN IF THERE ARE OTHERS... LIKE US... CREATURES WHOM WE CAN CONQUER!

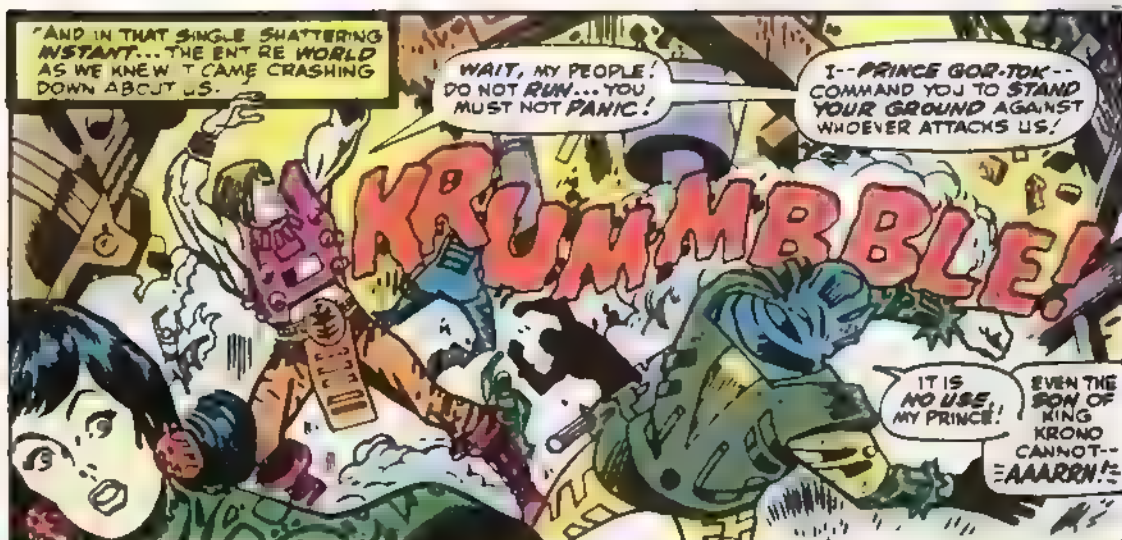
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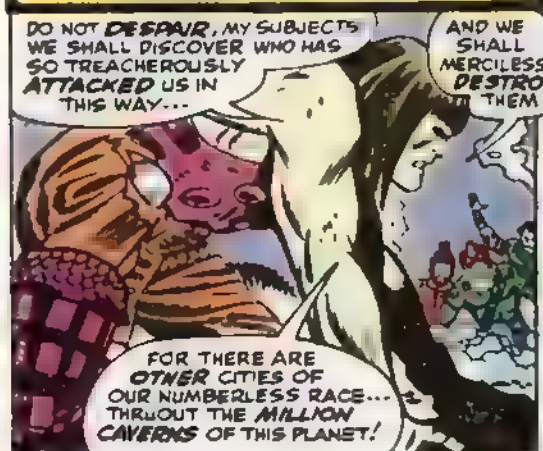
BUT THE NEXT FATAL, FEARFUL MOMENT... THE EARTH ITSELF SEEMED TO STRIKE OUT AGAINST US AS A DEAFENING SOUND WAS SUDDENLY HEARD

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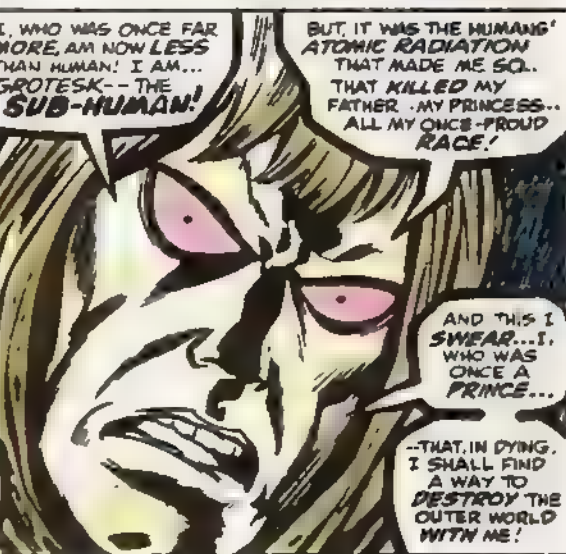
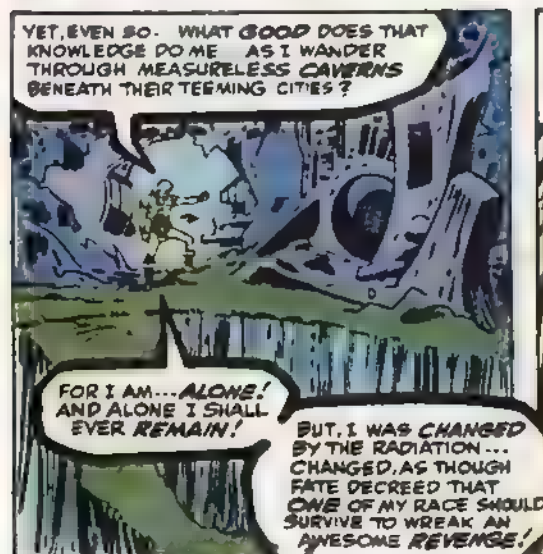
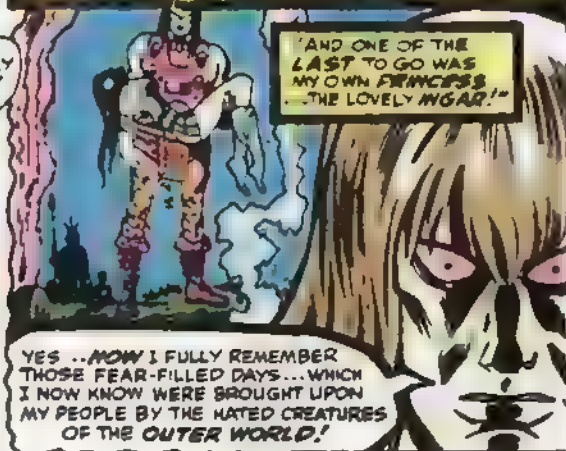




"THEN AS THE VIOLENT TREMBLING ABRUPTLY CEASED... I, WHO HAD BEEN PRINCE OF A GREAT PEOPLE... CALLED OUT TO THE PITIFUL REMNANT WHO SURVIVED..."



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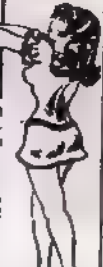
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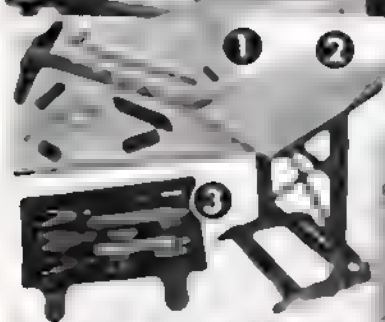




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THE PROFESSOR SEEMS TENSE... SHORT-TEMPERED TODAY!

IS IT THE STRAIN HE'S BEEN UNDER LATELY... OR IS IT SOMETHING ELSE?

I SAID TO NUDDGE IT, SCOTT... NOT SMASH IT TO BITS!

**BRACK!**

I'M... SORRY, SIR!

BLAST IT! I WAS THINKING ABOUT THE PROFESSOR AND USED TOO MUCH POWER!

AND NOW WHAT ABOUT YOU, WARREN? YOUR TEST IN EVASION TACTICS IS SCHEDULED NEXT!

REMEMBER... YOU'RE TO FLY WITH YOUR HANDS AT YOUR SIDE... AS AN EXERCISE IN AERIAL MANEUVERABILITY!

YES SIR! HOW'S THIS?

EXCELLENT, ANGEL! YOU DODGED THOSE FORCE BEAMS WHILE FLYING AT ALMOST FULL SPEED!

GOOD! MAYBE THAT'LL TAKE SOME OF THE HEAT OFF POOR SCOTTY!

AFTER ALL, ANYBODY CAN MAKE A MISTAKE

AND SO THEY CAN... FOR THE NEXT SECOND...

**WHOOOSH!**

WH...? TREMENDOUS SUCTION! IT CAUGHT ME BY SURPRISE!

CAN'T STOP... BEING PULLED INTO THAT DUCT!

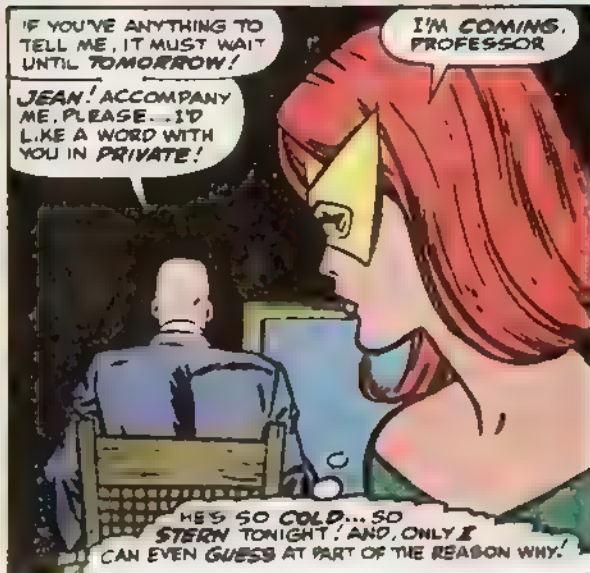
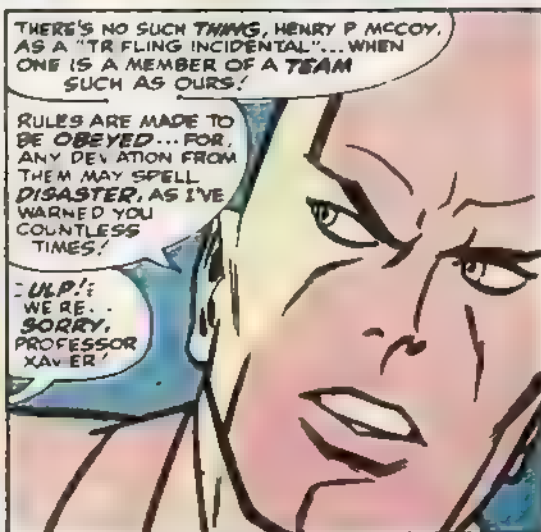
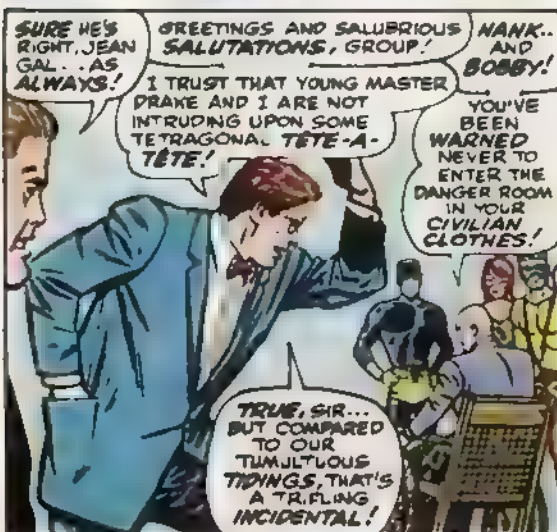
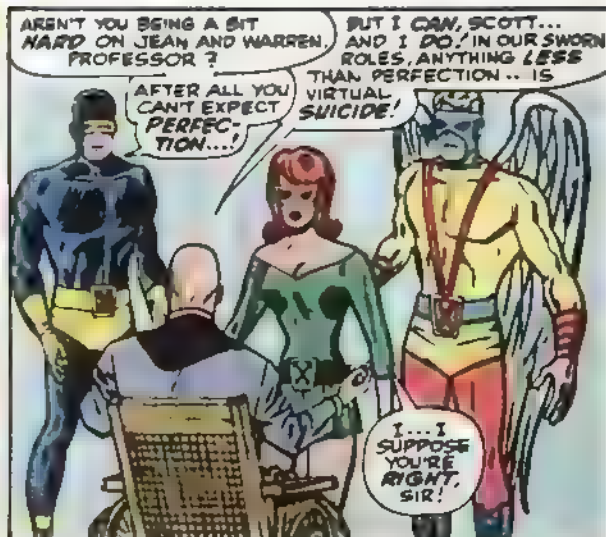
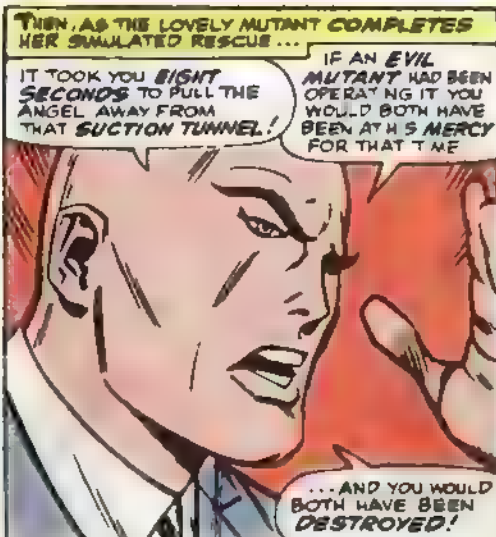
RESCUE HIM WITH YOUR LEVITATIONAL POWERS, MARVEL GIRL... QUICKLY! FASTER... FASTER!

I'M DOING MY BEST, PROFESSOR!

THAT'S NOT GOOD ENOUGH... NOT YET!

IN HIS PRESENT STATE, ANGEL'S HELPLESS... AT THE MERCY OF ANY ENEMY!







BUT, MOMENTS LATER, IT IS A FAR DIFFERENT CHARLES XAVIER WHO CONFRONTS A PUZZLED MARVEL GIRL...

I'M SORRY I GOT A BIT CARRIED AWAY JUST NOW, JEAN!

I KNOW, SIR, AND YET

STILL, IT'S ESSENTIAL THAT THE X-MEN ACT AS A PERFECT TEAM... NOW, MORE THAN EVER!

...IF ONLY YOU'D TELL THE OTHERS WHAT YOU RECENTLY TOLD ME...

NO, JEAN! YOU'LL HAVE TO TRUST MY JUDGMENT! THE OTHER X-MEN MUST KNOW NOTHING OF... THAT MATTER!

AND NOW, ARE YOU READY TO CONTINUE OUR EXPERIMENTS?

YES, PROFESSOR!

GOOD! FOR, EVEN WE CANNOT BE CERTAIN HOW UNIMAGINABLY VITAL THEY MAY BE...

WHILE, IN ANOTHER ROOM...

IS IT JUST ME... OR HAS THE PROFESSOR BEEN EXTRA TENSE LATELY... MORE DEMANDING THAN EVER?

YOU'RE NOT JUST CHIRPIN', JUNIOR BIRDMAN!

WHAT WAS IT YOU WANTED TO SAY TO HIM, HANK?

HUH? OH... IN MY EGO-DEFLATED STATE, I ALMOST FORGOT!

SETTLE BACK, LITTLE BUDDIES... WHILE I RELATE A REAL BELIEVE-IT-OR-NOT...!

HOWEVER, SINCE WE'VE ALREADY HEARD THAT ONE, LET'S SWITCH TO A SCENE AT ARCHER COLLEGE, IN THE HEART OF MANHATTAN...

SURELY, DR. HUNT, YOU DON'T EXPECT US TO ACCEPT WHAT YOU'VE JUST TOLD US!

IT'S TRUE... EVERY WORD OF IT!

AND, I'M PREPARED TO PROVE WHAT I SAID HERE AND NOW!

BUT... TO CREATE EARTH TREMORS... WITH A MACHINE CALLED A NUCLEAR OSCILLOTRON?

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE... AND YOU KNOW IT!

DO I? THEN, GIVE ME YOUR UNDIVIDED ATTENTION FOR A FEW MINUTES, MY SKEPTICAL FRIENDS...

...AND I'LL PROVE TO YOU THAT EVEN A COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES CAN BE MISTAKEN!

ALL RIGHT, DR. HUNT... IN VIEW OF YOUR PAST ACCOMPLISHMENTS!

BUT, IF YOU CAN'T PRODUCE A MILD EARTH TREMOR, YOU'RE TO STOP DISCUSSING YOUR FAR-FETCHED THEORIES IN YOUR CLASSES!

FAIR ENOUGH!

THUS IT IS THAT, SECONDS AFTERWARD, IN A DARKENED CAVERN FAR BELOW THE CITY...

ANOTHER EARTH TREMOR!

RRUMMMM

YET, I CAME HERE... OF ALL PLACES WHERE ONCE MY PEOPLE DWELT... BECAUSE THERE ARE NO EARTHQUAKES HERE!

"THE GOLDEN VOYAGE OF SINBAD," PART 2— NOW ON SALE IN PEOPLE'S UNKNOWN!

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THEY MERELY REMIND ME OF THE ACCURSED DISTURBANCES CAUSED BY THE SURFACE-DWELLERS... WHICH DESTROYED MY RACE...

...AND OF MY OWN HELPLESSNESS THUS FAR IN WREAKING A JUST VENGEANCE UPON THEM!

FOR WHAT HARM DOES IT DO TO DESTROY A FEW OF THEIR VEHICLES, WHEN...?



JUST THEN...

WHAT IS THAT?



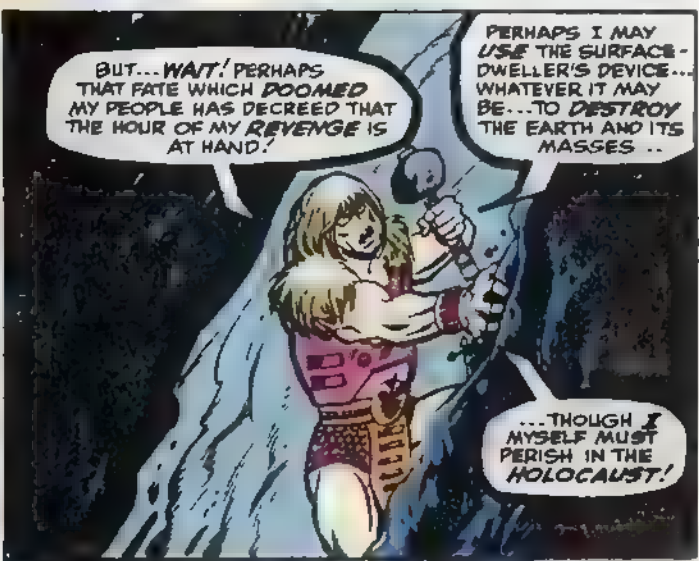
YET ANOTHER SLIGHT TREMOR!

IT CANNOT BE MERE CHANCE! THEY MUST BE DIRECTED AT ME... BY THE OUTER WORLD!



AND, IF THAT BE SO, I SHALL SEEK OUT ITS CAUSE!

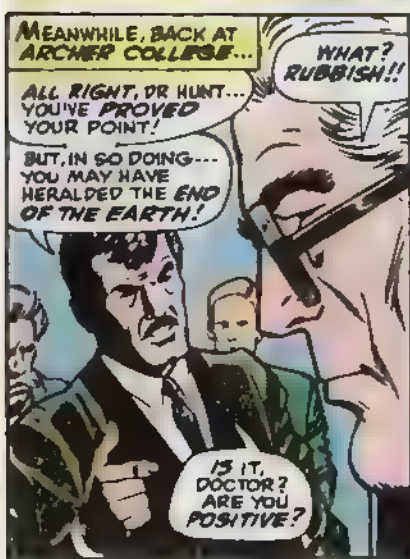
THEN, I SHALL SMASH THAT CAUSE... AND ITS CREATORS!



BUT... WAIT! PERHAPS THAT FATE WHICH DOOMED MY PEOPLE HAS DECREED THAT THE HOUR OF MY REVENGE IS AT HAND!

PERHAPS I MAY USE THE SURFACE-DWELLER'S DEVICE... WHATEVER IT MAY BE... TO DESTROY THE EARTH AND ITS MASSES...

...THOUGH I MYSELF MUST PERISH IN THE HOLOCAUST!



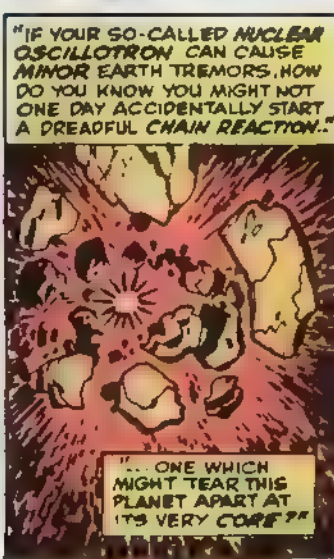
MEANWHILE, BACK AT ARCHER COLLEGE...

ALL RIGHT, DR. HUNT... YOU'VE PROVED YOUR POINT!

BUT, IN SO DOING... YOU MAY HAVE HERALDED THE END OF THE EARTH!

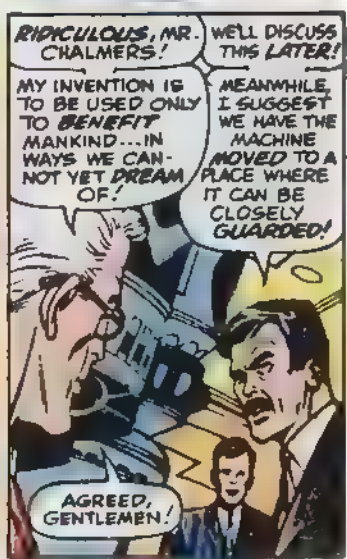
WHAT? RUBBISH!!

IS IT, DOCTOR? ARE YOU POSITIVE?



"IF YOUR SO-CALLED NUCLEAR OSCILLOTRON CAN CAUSE MINOR EARTH TREMORS, HOW DO YOU KNOW YOU MIGHT NOT ONE DAY ACCIDENTALLY START A DREADFUL CHAIN REACTION..."

"...ONE WHICH MIGHT TEAR THIS PLANET APART AT ITS VERY CORE?"



RIDICULOUS, MR. CHALMERS!

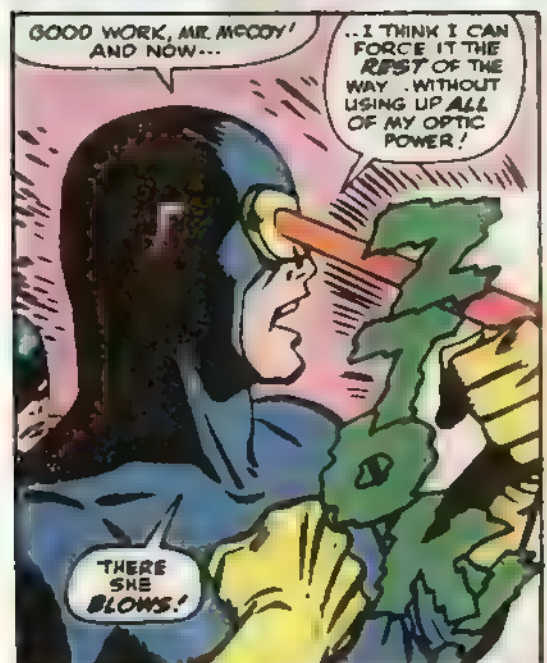
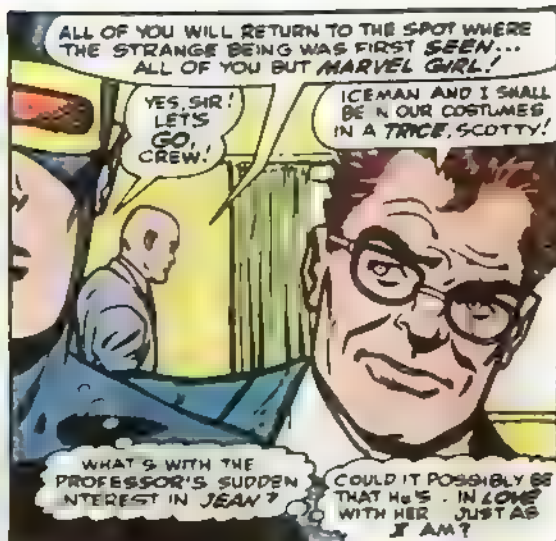
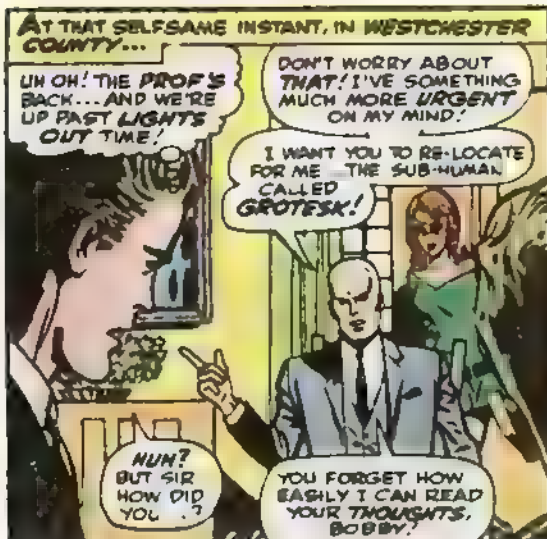
MY INVENTION IS TO BE USED ONLY TO BENEFIT MANKIND... IN WAYS WE CAN NOT YET DREAM OF!

WE'LL DISCUSS THIS LATER!

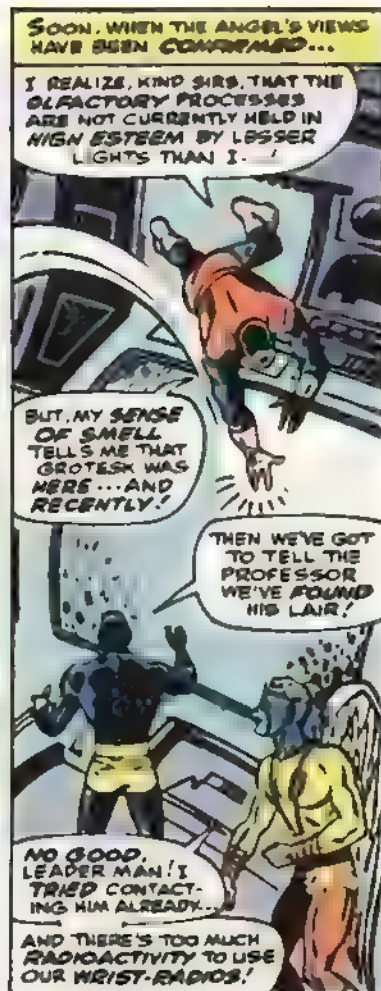
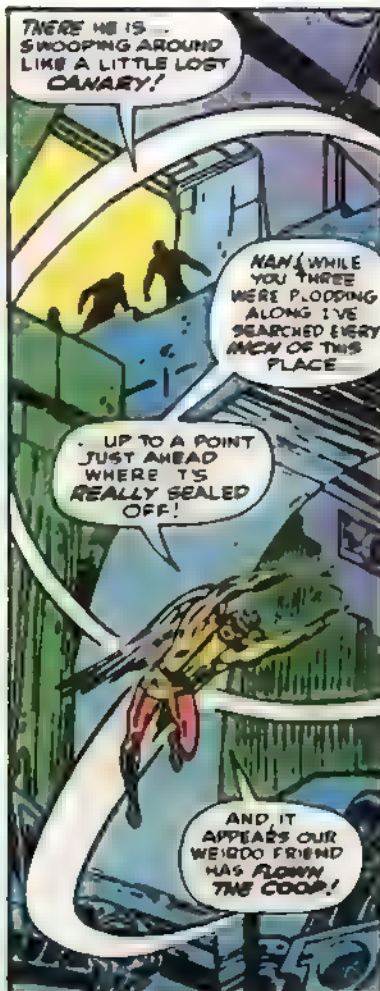
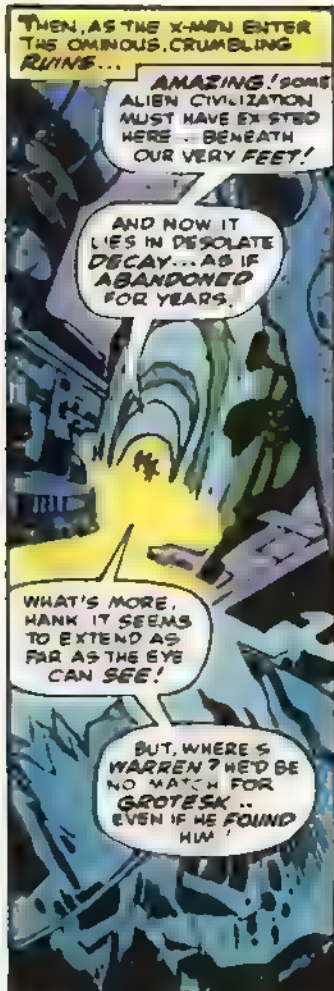
MEANWHILE, I SUGGEST WE HAVE THE MACHINE MOVED TO A PLACE WHERE IT CAN BE CLOSELY GUARDED!

AGREED, GENTLEMEN!











## OF MIX-UPS, MONSTERS, AND MATRIMONY!

## STAN LEE'S SOAPBOX

Remember last ish? Remember the promise I made you? I said I'd hit you with the most eagerly awaited announcement of the year right? Well, you've probably guessed it by now, cause we've been mentioning it and hinting at it for months. I'm talking, natch, about our most important single publication—the one you've been clamoring for all these years! It's not a magazine, but a real honest-to-forbush book—destined to become the most prized best seller of the decade! The title tells you the whole bit: **THE ORIGIN OF MARVEL COMICS!** It's a prestige library edition published by Simon and Schuster, scheduled to go on sale in bookstores throughout the free world some time in October! We're not sure of the price yet, but it won't be cheap—so start saving your shekels, sabib. It's bigger than 200 pages, containing the unabridged origins of *The Fantastic Four*, *Spider-Man*, *The Hulk*, and more, more—handsomely printed in rich, full, glorious color! Also, not only does it contain the most anxiously awaited strips of all time, but you'll also find page after page of behind-the-scenes bombshells giving you the real, uncensored scoop on how *Marvel Comics* was born! Every page is dynamite—and every word is true! I oughta know—I'm the guy who wrote it! It names names and spares no punches. **THE ORIGIN OF MARVEL COMICS—**on sale this fall! If you've a bad memory, don't worry about it. There's always the chance that we'll remind you again in the next few months. (Like on every other page!) Oh, and before I forget—let me toss a word of appreciation to the wonderful gang at Worcester Polytech University in Massachusetts for the rocking reception they gave me a few weeks ago. I couldn't tell if they were applauding my speech or stompin' to keep warm, but it was a blast no matter what! And now, till we meet again, think peace—think love—think *Marvel*. It could be habit forming.

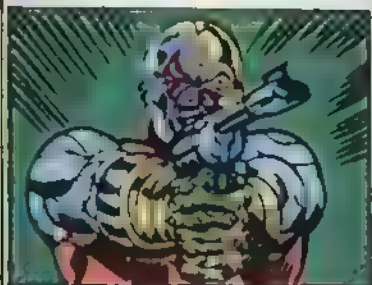
Excelsior!

Stan

**ITEM!** Special last-minute announcement! Our 35¢ and 60¢ mags have gone the way of all flesh! In other words, we're discontinuing 'em. But before you gulp that cyanide pill, friend, let us hasten to clue you in—we're just switching all our over-sized epics to one size, one price: just 50¢ for 68 big pages, with a feature-length 30-page all-new spectacular in almost every one of our nine

Giant Size titles. Confused? Well, for the full fabulous details, you'll have to pick up this month's **GIANT SIZE SPIDER-MAN** #1 (co-starring **DRACULA**, who else?)—**GIANT SIZE DEFENDERS** #1, **GIANT SIZE AVENGERS** #1 or whatever else we happen to toss atcha. Then you'll know at least as much about this dramatic change-over as we do—and take it from us, that ain't much offend!

**ITEM!** This is it! The month when we present a dynamic new feature, which starts in the current issue of **ASTONISHING TALES** now on sale. First, though, that fabled picture worth a thousand words:



Okay, now that you've taken a gander at what our newest, maybe most offbeat hero yet looks like, we'll fill you in. He's **DEATHLOK**, **THE DEMOLISHER**—and he's part cyborg, part superhero and maybe just a touch of monster, all rolled up into one pulsating package by **RICH (Swash) BUCKLER**, who conceived and drew the awesome origin tale, and **Devil-May-Care DOUG MOENCH**, who supplied some of the most unique scripting we've seen in a month of Mondays! Quite frankly, we think *Deathlok*'s gonna take the waiting world by storm—and that's no hype! Pick up **ASTONISHING TALES** #25, and see for yourself why 1974 is already being heralded as **THE MARVEL AGE OF COMICS—PHASE TWO!** We're shifting into high gear troops—but we're not going anyplace without you!

**ITEM!** Hey, guess what! Looking over our ever frenetic schedule, we just noticed that this is the first time in many moons that we're not introducing any new mags—with the exception of a couple of 50¢ extravaganzas, and if you don't count one *Deathlok*, the *Demolisher*—which, now that we think of it, doesn't leave us exactly standing still! Fact is, we're just slowing down to catch our breath for a little while, as we consolidate our line of 25¢ and 50¢ color comics—our 75¢ magazine masterpieces—our 40¢ **CRAZY** fun fest—that forthcoming *Marvel Origins Book* that Smiley told you about earlier—and a couple of other projects we can't even mention yet (mainly cause right now we can't remember what they are). But, a few short weeks from now, don't be too surprised if it turns out we had another inspiration or three up our sleeve, hear?

**MARVELOUS MARVEL MINI ITEMS!** Wedding bells are waking up that Bullpen Gang of ours! First, over the Christmas holidays, it was *Marriage-Minded MURRAY FRIEDMAN*, our hard-working Assistant Production Manager who specializes in our 75¢ mags, to his lovely **ADRIENNE** (who, weirdly enough, is a former Hunter College lab partner of Rascally *ROY*'s own wife, *JEAN*). Then, come January, Merry **GERRY CONWAY** took a couple of days off from his superhero scripting to tie the connubial knot with Cute **CARLA JOSEPH**, *ROY*'s super-secretary and general Gal Friday. Between *Ger*, who writes several of our mags a month (plus occasional science-fiction paperbacks, including a forthcoming series or two), and *Carla*, who's an off-Broadway playwright in between her many *Marvel* chores, we've got a feeling that the *Conways* neighbors on Manhattan's West Side are gonna be driven out of their skulls by the sound of two twin typewriters clackin' away right and day! Anyway, best wishes both to **GERRY** and **CARLA**, and to **MURRAY** and **ADRIENNE**—and somebody help our poor editor pick all that rice out of his shoes, willya?

**ITEM THE LAST!** Next time around, we'll mention several more block-bustin' bargains you can get once you've amassed a complete set of our much-praised, much-clipped **MARVEL VALUE STAMPS!** But, for now, we've just got room enough left to mention a few of our mammoth-sized mags. So, till then—**Save Energy! Subscribe, Already!**

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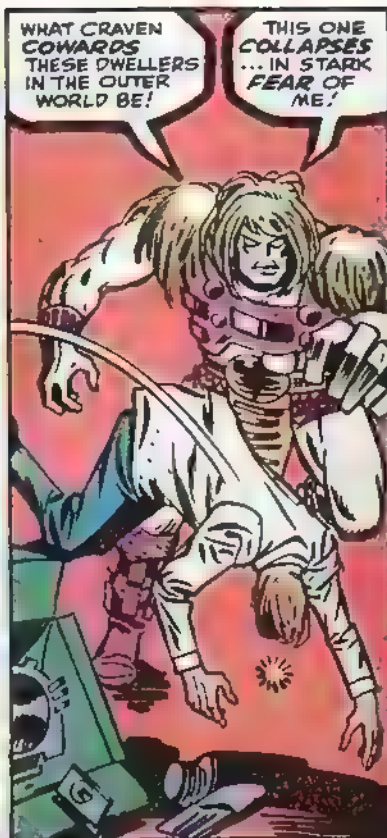


BUT, EVEN AS THE X-MEN MOVE INTO ACTION, ZERO HOUR FOR THE EARTH IS ALREADY DRAWING NEAR, AS...

YOU... SURFACE-DWELLER! WHERE IS YOUR WEAPON... THAT WHICH CREATED THE EARTHQUAKES WHICH DECIMATED MY PEOPLE?

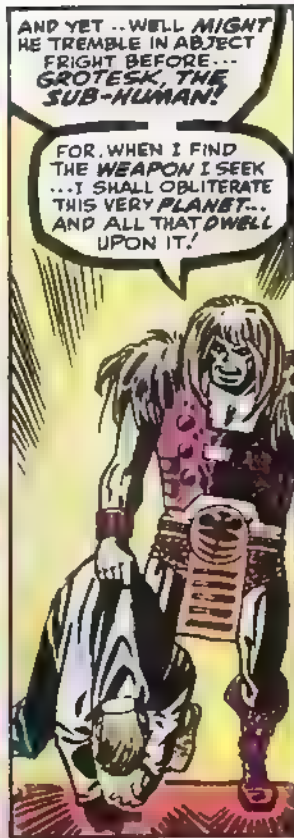
IS THAT YOU, DR. HUNT? I WAS JUST CLEANING UP, AND... YIPES!

WH-WHAT IN HOLY HANNAH IS THAT??



WHAT CRAVEN COWARDS THESE DWELLERS IN THE OUTER WORLD BE!

THIS ONE COLLAPSES... IN STARK FEAR OF ME!



AND YET... WE'LL MIGHT HE TREMBLE IN ABJECT FRIGHT BEFORE... GROTESK, THE SUB-HUMAN!

FOR, WHEN I FIND THE WEAPON I SEEK... I SHALL OBLITERATE THIS VERY PLANET... AND ALL THAT DWELL UPON IT!



SOON, IN THE TOP-SECRET X-MEN HQ...

JEANIE! ARE WE GLAD YOU'RE STILL AWAKE!

WHERE'S THE PROFESSOR? WE'VE GOT TO TALK TO HIM!

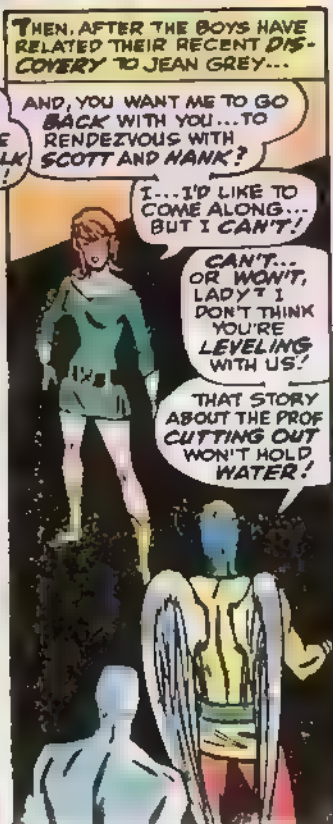
AND, YOU WANT ME TO GO BACK WITH YOU... TO RENDEZVOUS WITH SCOTT AND HANK?

I... I'D LIKE TO COME ALONG... BUT I CAN'T!

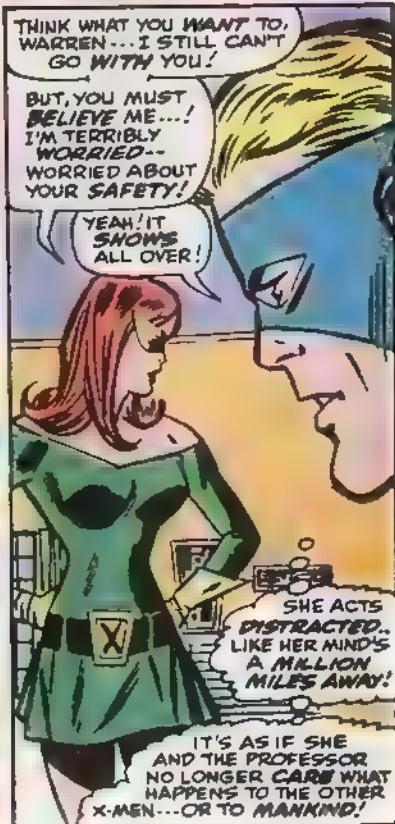
CAN'T... OR WON'T, LADY? I DON'T THINK YOU'RE LEVELING WITH US!

THAT STORY ABOUT THE PROF CUTTING OUT WON'T HOLD WATER!

HE GOT YOUR CALL BEFORE YOU ARRIVED AND LEFT! BUT HOW ABOUT FILLING ME IN?



THEN, AFTER THE BOYS HAVE RELATED THEIR RECENT DISCOVERY TO JEAN GREY...



THINK WHAT YOU WANT TO, WARREN... I STILL CAN'T GO WITH YOU!

BUT, YOU MUST BELIEVE ME...! I'M TERRIBLY WORRIED-- WORRIED ABOUT YOUR SAFETY!

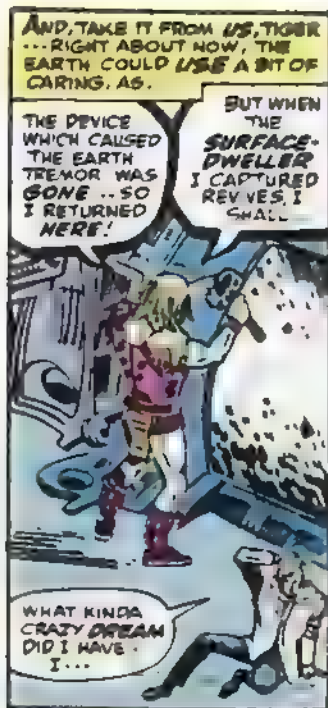
YEAH! IT SHOWS ALL OVER!

SHE ACTS DISTRACTED.. LIKE HER MIND'S A MILLION MILES AWAY!

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AND, TAKE IT FROM US, TIGER... RIGHT ABOUT NOW, THE EARTH COULD USE A BIT OF CARING. AS.

THE DEVICE WHICH CAUSED THE EARTH TREMOR WAS GONE... SO I RETURNED HERE!

BUT WHEN THE SURFACE-DWELLER I CAPTURED REVIVES, I SHALL...

WHAT KINDA CRAZY DREAM DID I HAVE... I...

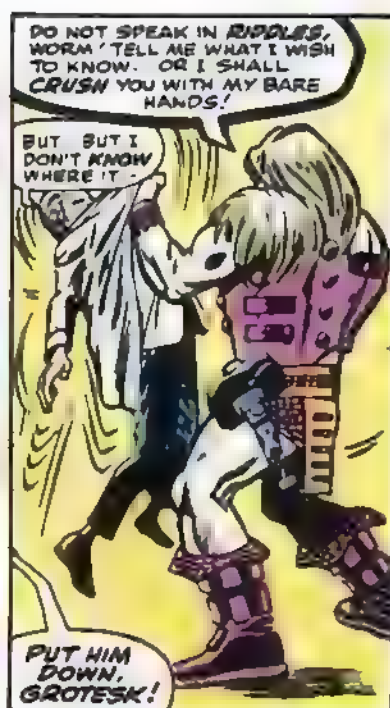


SO, SNIVELING ONE... YOU HAVE AWAKENED!

TELL ME WHERE YOUR WEAPON IS TO BE FOUND OR...

IT. IT WASN'T A DREAM THAT I HAD, AFTER ALL...

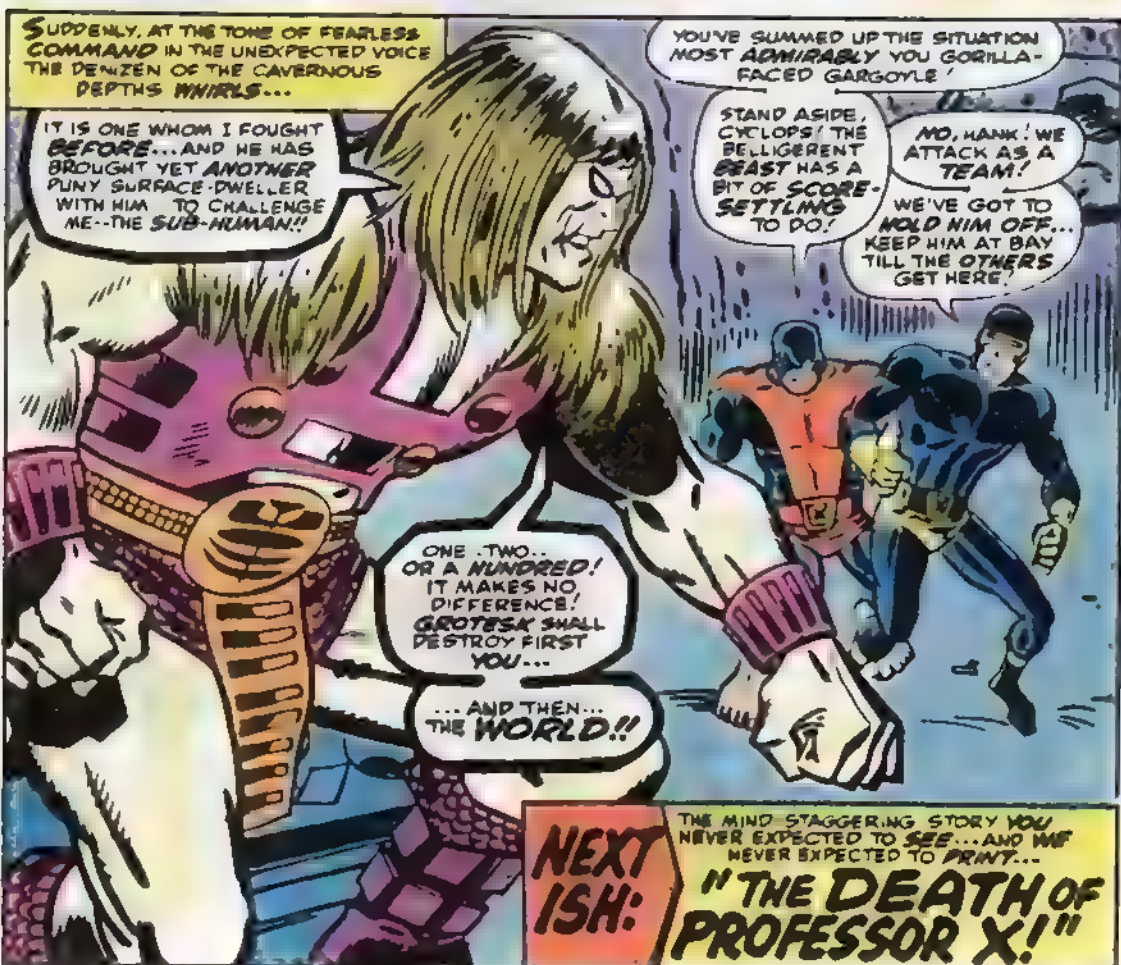
IT'S HIM!



DO NOT SPEAK IN RIDDLES, WORM! TELL ME WHAT I WISH TO KNOW. OR I SHALL CRUSH YOU WITH MY BARE HANDS!

BUT BUT I DON'T KNOW WHERE IT...

PUT HIM DOWN, GROTESK!



SUDDENLY, AT THE TONE OF FEARLESS COMMAND IN THE UNEXPECTED VOICE THE DENIZEN OF THE CAVERNOUS DEPTHS WHIRLS...

IT IS ONE WHOM I FOUGHT BEFORE... AND HE HAS BROUGHT YET ANOTHER PUNY SURFACE-DWELLER WITH HIM TO CHALLENGE ME--THE SUB-HUMAN!!

YOU'VE SUMMED UP THE SITUATION MOST ADMIRABLY YOU GORILLA-FACED GARGOYLE!

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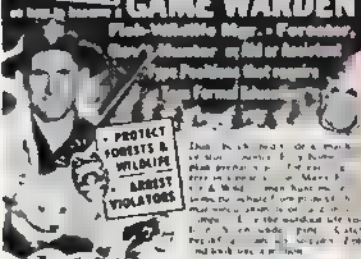
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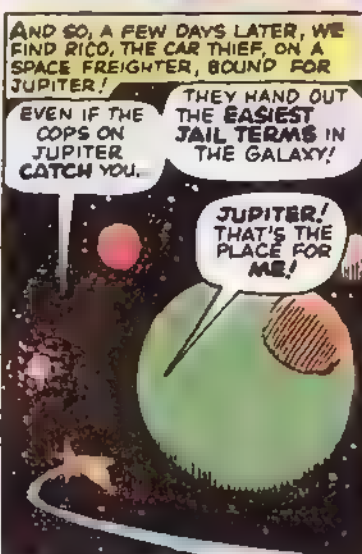
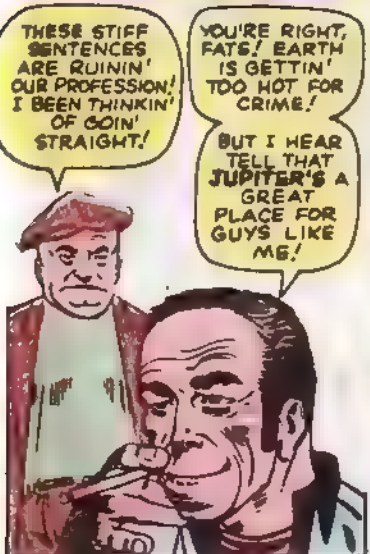
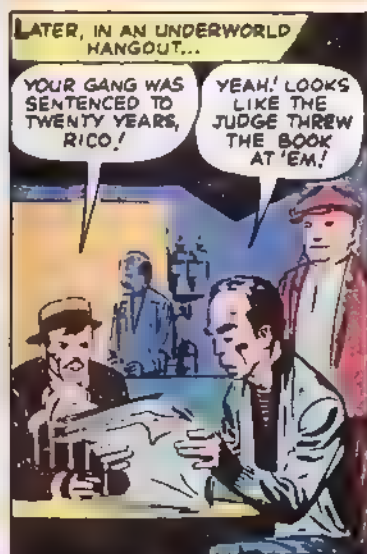
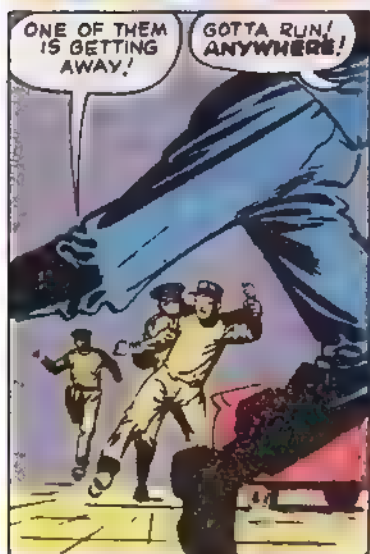
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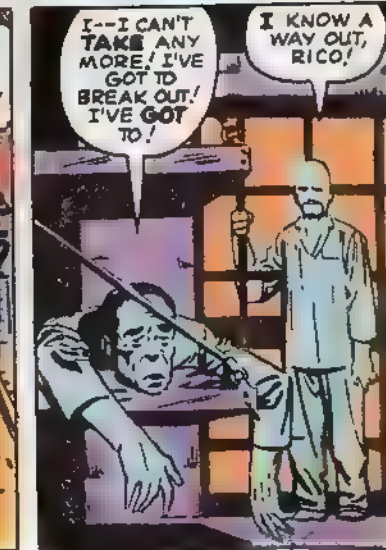
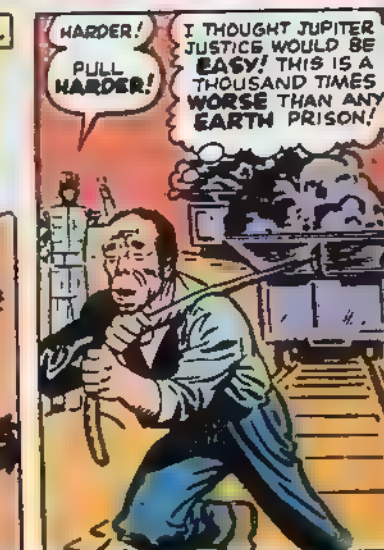
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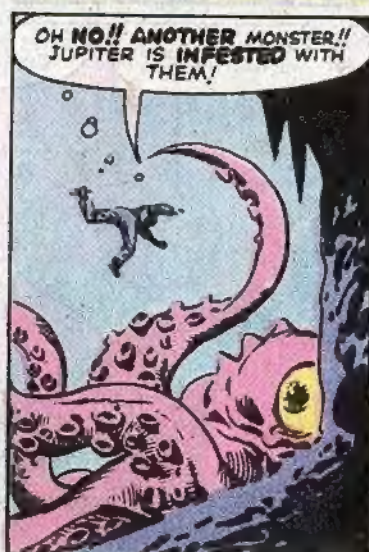
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